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An Act To Establish a Special Veterans License Plate for Motorcycles

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 29-A MRS §523, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Motorcycle plates; veterans. In addition to any plate issued pursuant to subsection 3, the Secretary of State, on application and evidence of payment of the excise tax required by Title 36, section 1482, shall issue a registration certificate and a special veterans registration plate for one designated motorcycle owned or controlled by a person who has served in the United States Armed Forces and who has been honorably discharged.

Each application must be accompanied by the applicant's Armed Forces Report of Transfer or Discharge, DD Form 214, or certification from the United States Veterans Administration or the appropriate branch of the United States Armed Forces verifying the applicant's military service and honorable discharge.

All surplus revenue collected for issuance of the special registration plates is retained by the Secretary of State to maintain and support this program.

The surviving spouse of a special veteran plate recipient issued a motorcycle plate in accordance with this subsection may retain and display the special veteran plate as long as the surviving spouse remains unmarried. Upon remarriage, the surviving spouse may not use the special veteran plate on a motorcycle, but may retain it as a keepsake. Upon the death of the surviving spouse, the family may retain the special veteran plate, but may not use it on a motorcycle.

SUMMARY

This bill authorizes the Secretary of State to issue special veterans motorcycle registration plates for veterans of the United States Armed Forces.